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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION.

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WHereas ſeveral Mariners in Our Service, on Our Ships of War and other Ships, have had Leave by Tickets ſigned by Our Flag Officers, to be abſent from their Duty for a Time limited in ſuch Tickets, and ſeveral others of them are now abſent without any ſuch Leave, for whoſe Service We have preſent Occaſion, We have therefore thought fit (by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council) to Publiſh this Our Royal Proclamation; And do hereby ſtrictly Charge and Command all ſuch Mariners in Our Service, That they do repair on board the Ships to which they do belong, at or before the Times hereafter mentioned, That is to ſay; All ſuch of them as belong to any of Our Ships now being at Portſmouth, *be they abſent with Leave or without Leave forthwith; And all ſuch of them as belong to any other of Our Ships, and are now abſent with or without Leave, on or before the laſt Day of this Inſtant* January, *upon Pain of being made Run upon the Ships Books, to which they belong, and proceeded againſt with the utmoſt Rigour, that the Law will allow of, for Deſerting Our Service. And that ſuch Mariners may not be deterred from returning to their Duty in Our Service, through Fear of being Puniſhed for their ſaid Offences, We are hereby Graciouſly pleaſed to Declare, That We will Pardon all ſuch Seamen who have deſerted or abſented themſelves from Our Service ſince the Firſt Day of* November *laſt, their ſaid Offences; and that where any of them are made Run upon the Ships Books to which they belong, for their ſaid Offence, ſince the ſaid Firſt Day of* November *laſt, the ſaid Run ſhall be taken off, and they reſpectively ſhall be entituled to their Wages, as if they had not deſerted or left Our Service, ſo as they ſhall return to Our Service, on board the reſpective Ships to which they belong, according to theſe Our Royal Commands.*

And We do hereby ſtrictly Charge and Command all Seamen and Seafaring-men, which now do, or ſhall hereafter belong to any of Our Ships of War, or other Our Ships, That they do not preſume to abſent themſelves from the Ships to which they belong, without Leave obtained from their reſpective Captains for ſo doing; and that where any ſuch Leave ſhall be granted, they do take Care to return to their Duties, exactly at the Time limited by ſuch Leaves, on Pain of being proceeded againſt at a Court Martial with the utmoſt ſeverity for deſerting Our Service. And the reſpective Captains of Our Ships of War, and other Ships, are hereby ſtrictly Commanded and Required, from time to time, to tranſmit to the Secretary of Our moſt Dear Conſort, the Lord High Admiral of England, *Accounts of ſuch Perſons as ſhall hereafter preſume to abſent themſelves without Leave from Our Service, and alſo of ſuch as ſhall ſtay from Our Service beyond the Time allowed them, where Leave ſhall be given; to the Intent ſuch Offenders may be proceeded againſt and puniſhed according to their Demerits.*

And whereas it hath been repreſented to Us, That frequent Complaints have been made, that ſeveral Seamen (ſome of them being actually in Our Service) who have ſtraggled up and down, have been taken up by Conſtables and other Officers, and by them carried before Our Juſtices of the Peace, and obliged (by Virtue of the Act for the better Recruiting Our Land-Forces and the Marines) *to enter into the Land Service, which is a Diſcouragement to the Seafaring-men in general, and Prejudicial to Our Naval Service; We therefore by this Our Royal Proclamation do Charge and Require all Our Juſtices of the Peace, That they do not Liſt or Deliver for Soldiers any Perſons that ſhall appear to them, by ſufficient Proof, to be Seamen, or Seafaring men; but that they do Impreſs and Secure ſuch ſtraggling Seamen for Our Service in Our Fleet, and give an immediate Account of their Names, and the Places where they ſhall be, to the Secretary of Our Lord High Admiral of* England; *to the Intent Directions may be given for the immediate conveying them on board ſome of Our Ships of War.*

Given at Our Court at *St. James's* the Tenth Day of *January*, 170$\frac{5}{6}$. In the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

Saragoſſa, December 25. *N. S.* The Marſhal de Teſſe arrived here the 23d Inſtant, in order to put himſelf at the head of the Troops which are to be drawn together to oppoſe the King of Spain and his Allies, whoſe Intereſt daily gains Ground in theſe Parts. Since Colonel Nabot's going over to them with his Regiment, they have, as we hear, poſſeſſed themſelves of Valencia, as they had done before of ſeveral other Places on that ſide. The Prince of Serclaes Tilly is marched that way with the ſmall Body of Forces under his Command, to keep in awe ſuch Towns as are diſpoſed to declare for his Catholick Majeſty; and as the Troops arrive from Eſtramadura, they are ſent to the Poſts which were guarded by thoſe under Prince Serclaes's Command, between Balbaſtro and Miquenenza. It is ſaid, that when they are all arrived, they will march towards Lerida, where there is a Gariſon of two Engliſh Battalions, and a Regiment of Dragoons, beſides Catalan Troops; but it is doubted whether we ſhall be able to beſiege that Place, which is defended by a very ſtrong Citadel, and well provided with all Neceſſaries; as is likewiſe the Town of Tortoſa, which the King of Spain has cauſed to be very well fortified, and has put into it a Gariſon of 400 Engliſh, 200 Dutch, and 500 Miquelets. The Forces that had been left near Gibraltar are ordered to join thoſe under Prince Serclaes; ſo that the neighbouring Country will be expoſed to the Incurſions of that Gariſon. The Duke of Anjou has lately publiſhed a Decree, whereby the Kingdoms of Valencia and Arragon are forbid to have any Commerce or Correſpondence with the Province of Catalonia; and another, by which all the Eſtates, Revenues, and Effects, in the Kingdoms above-mentioned, or in any other part of Spain, which belong to any of the Catalans who have declared for his Catholick Majeſty, are to be confiſcated. He has alſo removed from their Employments the Prior, Conſuls, and other Officers belonging to the Contraction-Houſe at Seville, as being ſuſpected of a favourable Diſpoſition towards the Houſe of Auſtria, and has put others into their Places.*

Venice, January 2. The Imperial and the French Armies are both ſeparated, and marched into Winter Quarters. Prince Eugene has his Head Quarter near Lonato, and the Duke of Vendoſme has taken his not far from Eſenta, from whence he intends to go to Mantua, where the Duke de la Feuillade is likewiſe ſhortly expected. The French Troops under the Count de Medavi, which were encamped near the River Mela, are marched towards Palazzuolo, having Quarters aſſigned them in that Town and at Ponte-Oglio, Calzo, Soncino, Bardolano, and other Places thereabouts. Part of the Imperial Troops are quartered at Rezato, Montechiari, Calcinato, and Caſtagnedole. Another Body of them is marched by the way of the Valley of Poliſella to St. Michael of Verona, and has taken Quarters in the Towns between that Place and St. Martino, in order to oppoſe any French Troops that might attempt to paſs the Adige.

Ratisbon, Jan. 12. The Troops of Wirtemberg, that are ordered to Bavaria, being about 5000 ſtrong, will ſhortly paſs the Danube at Gunsburg, in order to march into that Electorate. A Regiment of Foot and another of Dragoons of the Elector Palatine's Forces are lately arri-